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STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter on the Commission's
own motion to re-promulgate rules
required by MCL 484.2202(1)(c)(iv).

Case No. U-20732
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PUBLIC HEARING

Proceedings held via Microsoft Teams in the
above-entitled matter before Sharon L. Feldman,
Administrative Law Judge with MOAHR, for the Michigan
Public Service Commission, Lansing, Michigan, on Tuesday,
July 14, 2020, at 9:02 a.m.

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Lansing, Michigan

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

9:02 a.m.

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(Hearing commenced pursuant to due notice.)

JUDGE FELDMAN: On the record. Good morning. This is the date and time set for a public hearing in Michigan Public Service Commission Case No. U-20732, entitled: In the matter, on the Commission's own motion to re-promulgate rules required by MCL 484.2202(1)(c)(iv).

For the record, my name is Sharon Feldman. I am an Administrative Law Judge with the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules. Also appearing today is Assistant Attorney General Stephens. Ms. Stephens, would you like to place your appearance on the record?

MS. STEPHENS: Good morning, your Honor. Monica Stephens on behalf of MPSC Staff.

JUDGE FELDMAN: Thank you. Let me note for the record that notice of today's hearing was published in The Mining Journal, The Grand Rapids Press, and The Oakland Press, and the docket reflects proof of publication. As the Commission's May 19, 2020 Order establishing this proceeding indicated, although this Metro Court Reporters Inc. metrostate@sbcglobal.net

1 prehearing was scheduled as an in-person hearing, all
2 interested persons were put on notice that they should
3 monitor this docket prior to the public hearing for any
4 potential changes in the format of the hearing. And on
5 July 1, 2020, a notice was posted in this docket
6 converting the hearing to this video and telephone
7 format, and providing the video link and call-in number.
8 And the notice and the proof of service of that notice
9 are also in the e-docket.

10 This hearing is legislative in nature.
11 It is an opportunity for people to comment on the
12 proposed rules governing the obligation of providers of
13 basic local exchange service that cease to provide.
14 Written comments will also be accepted through July 28,
15 2020.

16 Ms. Stephens is here, as are certain
17 Staff members from the Michigan Public Service
18 Commission. And if anybody here does have any questions
19 regarding these rules, Ms. Stephens will make sure that
20 you can get in touch with a Staff member who can answer
21 your questions.

22 So without further ado, I know we have
23 some participants who are just interested in observing
24 today's proceedings. Let me ask if there is anybody
25 currently participating, either by phone or video, who
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1 would like to make a comment?

2 (Pause. No response.)

3 All right.

4 CHARLIE TIDWELL: Charlie Tidwell here.

5 I'd like to go off the record, please.

6 (Brief comment off the record discussion.)

7 JUDGE FELDMAN: I know that this is a
8 format that is unfamiliar to many, so it's my suggestion
9 that we pause this proceeding until 9:15 to see if
10 anybody joins the hearing who wishes to make a comment,
11 who wasn't able to do so by 9:00 o'clock.

12 Ms. Stephens, does that sound sensible to
13 you?

14 MS. STEPHENS: Yes. That's O.K. with us,
15 your Honor.

16 JUDGE FELDMAN: All right. Then that's
17 what we'll do, and I'll just be sitting here so I can
18 assist anybody who may be trying to join.

19 (Off the record from 9:08 to 9:15 a.m.)

20 JUDGE FELDMAN: All right. Well, my
21 clock says 9:15. Let me ask one more time if there is
22 anybody participating, either by video or by phone only,
23 that would like to make a comment on this rule set?

24 Don't be shy. (No response.)

25 All right. Ms. Stephens, can you think

1 of anything that we should note for the record before we
2 adjourn this proceeding?

3 MS. STEPHENS: No, your Honor.

4 JUDGE FELDMAN: All right. I want to
5 thank everybody who attended this morning for your
6 patience, for your time and attention, and we are
7 adjourned. Off the record.

8 MS. STEPHENS: Thank you.

9 (At 9:16 a.m., the hearing adjourned.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Marie T. Schroeder, CSR-2183, do hereby certify that I reported in stenotype the proceedings held on-line via Microsoft Teams in the within-entitled matter, that being Case No. U-20732, before Sharon L. Feldman, Administrative Law Judge with MOAHR, for the Michigan Public Service Commission, Lansing, Michigan, on Tuesday, July 14, 2020; and do further certify that the foregoing transcript, consisting of six (6) pages, is a true and correct transcript of my stenotype notes.

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